

Railroad Notes

L. A. Raisell is working third track at Seneca.

Brakeman Lander is laying off on account of illness.

C. W. Riggs has been installed as station agent at Mystic.

Conductor Rider was off duty several days on account of illness.

Councilman Welch, dispatcher, has returned from a trip to Denver.

Brakeman Shay has gone to Ravenna. He will run out of that place.

I. J. Hodges of the general manager's office was in the city Monday on business.

Trainmaster Nelson and family left Alliance Tuesday for their new home in Lincoln.

October 1 a new fast-time freight was put on from Billings to Ravenna. It is known as No. 48, and runs daily.

Conductors Campbell and Kenner have returned from Omaha where they heard President Wilson discuss the issues of the campaign.

Inspection engine 366 made a trip over the high line as far as Pringle. The inspection tour was in charge of Superintendent Weidenhamer.

The Burlington road has installed a watchman at the main street crossing at Scottsbluff. There is a good deal of traffic at that point and the need of a watchman was found to be imperative.

Workmen have taken off the remainder of the ceiling of the porch on the south side of the station building. A large part of the ceiling fell and the rest looked dangerous, so it was decided to take it all down and put on a new ceiling. This work will be rushed as rapidly as possible and the traveling public is inconvenienced because of the closing of the main entrance to the passenger station.

Trainmaster Dick Nelson, one of the most popular Burlington officials of this division, has shaken the dust of central Nebraska from his feet and gone to Omaha for keeps. Mr. Nelson has been appointed assistant superintendent of the Omaha division and will hereafter make his quarters at Omaha. The order went into effect October 1. Although glad of his promotion, there are many who hate to see the genial trainmaster leave this part of the country. His popularity is of long standing and his friends are legion.

An office room is being fixed up by the Burlington in one corner of the present freight warehouse and we understand that a couple of the clerks will be assigned quarters therein. The boys at the depot are certainly crowded into close quarters and it does not look as though they would have much relief until the railroad company builds the new depot that we have all been longing for. According to the latest grapevines the structure will be started in March, and will be located off Main street.—Scottsbluff Star-Herald.

F. A. Burke, a special agent for the Burlington, was in Minatare looking up complaints of boys placing stuff on the tracks. The latest was the placing of a couple dozen iron plates on the tracks and allowing the train to run over them. This is a mighty risky business and the railroad is determined to prosecute the next case that occurs. Boys have no business playing around the railroad yards and are trespassing when they do so. Parents, whose boys are in the habit of finding amusement there would do well if they would also do some investigating and probably a little paddling. It may save trouble later.—Minatare Free-Press.

Twelve Trespassers Killed
In the month of August twelve trespassers were killed on the Burlington system, and of this total five were killed on the lines of that company in Nebraska. There were twenty-eight accidents to trespassers, ranging in severity of injuries from a bruised head to fatalities. Ten of these accidents happened on the lines of this company within Nebraska. These facts are shown in a report made by E. M. Switzer, superintendent of safety, and received by General Superintendent L. B. Lyman. The Nebraska accidents are itemized as follows:

August 1, at Omaha, laborer walking on track, struck by train, head cut.

August 2, at Seward, farmer, killed.

August 2, at Maraland, tramp, struck by train, head cut off.

August 5, at Alliance, tramp, lying under cars when cars moved, killed.

August 8, at Seward, man run over and killed.

August 11, at South Omaha, woman, walking on track, struck by train, killed.

August 12, at Wann, farmer, stealing ride, fell from train, foot crushed.

August 14, at Gibson, boy, walking on track, struck by train, badly bruised.

August 14, at Gibson, laborer, walking on track, struck by train, badly bruised.

August 27, at Anselmo, man, stealing ride, fell from train, killed.

The report shows that a saloon-keeper of West Alton, Mo., committed suicide by throwing himself in front of a train.

For the most part the accidents reported are ordinary trespassing affairs, such as laborers walking along tracks, tramps falling from trains and being crushed, while sleeping under cars, and trying to board moving trains. Five boys, one small child and one woman figured in the month's trespasser casualty record.

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